For public hearing of the Bipartisan Task Force on Gun Violence Prevention and Children's Safety

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Dear members of the committee,

I am reaching out to you with a concern about this committee's response to the recent events.

As a father of four young kids, the tragedy at Sandy Hook strikes close to my heart. However emotional I may get, the fact remains: no law, however strict, can prevent what happened to 20 young kids and 6 adults on that fateful day.

My 8-year-old daughter was recently explaining to me that schools are gun-free zones and she is worried that criminals can go there without fear of being caught. She was concerned that laws make no difference to a criminal. Even a little girl understands that kids should be protected by armed guards in schools, not more laws.

As an example, even with very strict laws prohibiting firearms from state buildings, thousands of testifiers were greeted today with a long line culminating with metal detectors. If our legislature believes that laws can stop firearm violence, why bother with the security measures?

I urge you to make right decisions and restrain from pushing for more gun control. The answer to what happened in Sandy Hook is more emphasis on mental health, violence on TV and video games, not restricting lawful gun ownership. Thank you for your consideration.

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